

[CHAPTER 113.]

AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to the counties of Fayette and Washington, Pennsylvania, either jointly or severally, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Monongahela River at or near Fayette City, Pennsylvania.

April 15, 1932.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the county of Fayette, Pennsylvania, or its board of county commissioners, their successors or assigns, and/or to the county of Washington, Pennsylvania, or its board of county commissioners, their successors or assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Monongahela River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Fayette City, Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

Monongahela River.
Fayette, etc., Counties, Pa., may bridge at Fayette City.

Construction.
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SEC. 2. If tolls are charged for the use of such bridge, the rates of toll shall be so adjusted as to provide a fund sufficient to pay the reasonable cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the bridge and its approaches under economical management, and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to amortize the cost of the bridge and its approaches, including reasonable interest and financing cost, as soon as possible under reasonable charges, but within a period of not to exceed twenty years from the completion thereof. After a sinking fund sufficient for such amortization shall have been so provided, such bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls, or the rates of toll shall thereafter be so adjusted as to provide a fund of not to exceed the amount necessary for the proper maintenance, repair, and operation of the bridge and its approaches under economical management. An accurate record of the costs of the bridge and its approaches, the expenditures for maintaining, repairing, and operating the same, and of the daily tolls collected, shall be kept and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

Tolls adjusted to provide for maintenance, sinking fund, etc.

Free bridge thereafter.

Maintenance costs.

Record of expenditures and receipts.

SEC. 3. The right to sell, assign, transfer, and mortgage all the rights, powers, and privileges¹ conferred by this Act, is hereby granted to the county of Fayette, Pennsylvania, or its board of county commissioners, their successors and assigns, and/or the county of Washington, Pennsylvania, or its board of county commissioners, their successors and assigns, and any public agency or corporation to which or any person to whom such rights, powers, and privileges may be sold, assigned, or transferred, or who shall acquire the same by mortgage foreclosure or otherwise, is hereby authorized and empowered to exercise the same as fully as though conferred herein directly upon such corporation or person.

Right to sell, assign, etc., conferred.

SEC. 4. The rights, powers, and privileges conferred by this act upon the county of Fayette, Pennsylvania, or its board of county commissioners, their successors or assigns, and/or upon the county of Washington, Pennsylvania, or its board of county commissioners, their successors or assigns, are hereby declared to be conferred upon the two counties, or their boards of county commissioners, their heirs, successors, or assigns, either jointly or severally.

Rights, etc., conferred.

SEC. 5. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, April 15, 1932.

¹ So in original.